

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: HIROSHI NOKAMOTO

SERIAL NO.: 10/721,878

FILED: November 26, 2003

FOR: VACUUM CLEANER

CONFIRMATION NO. 6011

GROUP ART UNIT: 1744

EXAMINER: D.A. Redding

ATTY. REFERENCE: NAKA3010/JJC/PMB



COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
- No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
Total Claims	14	- 20 ¹	= 0 ³	× \$ 25 =	× \$ 50 =
Independent Claims	3	- 3 ²	= 0 ³	× \$100 =	× \$ 200 =
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Proper Multiple Dependent Claim				+ \$180 =	+ \$360 =
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¹ If less than 20 enter 20.

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- Please charge my Deposit Account Number 02-0200 in the amount of \$. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200.
- Also enclosed is/are:

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Customer Number

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DATE: July 31, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date:	November 26, 2003	Art Unit:	1744
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For:	VACUUM CLEANER		

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
OF MAY 31, 2007

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated May 31, 2007 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.